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In re application : Tadashi Aiura et al
Application No. : 09/341,339
Filed : August 30, 1999
Confirmation No. : 5010
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR POLISHING INNER
SURFACE OF CYLINDRICAL PORTION OF ELONGATED
CYLINDRICAL WORK AND ELONGATED CYLINDRICAL
WORK
Examiner : Hadi Shakeri
Attorney's Docket : AK-284XX

TC Art Unit: 3723

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RESPONSE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the election requirement dated April 28, 2004,
Applicants elect for present prosecution the claims of Group 1,
Claims 1-4, 7,9,10 and 15, with traverse because examination of

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all of the claims is not seen as imposing an undue burden on the Examiner.

Applicants reserve all rights to the unelected claims for future prosecution but hereby authorize the Examiner to cancel them as he deems necessary for the prosecution of the present application.

Please amend the Title as follows:

Method and apparatus for polishing ~~inner~~ internal surface of long sized cylindrical workpieces ~~portion of elongated cylindrical work~~ and ~~elongated~~ long sized cylindrical work ~~workpieces~~

Respectfully submitted,

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